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- 1. "There is no doubt that the primary concern of the Argentine Police Mission is political. They devote most of their time and effort in preaching Peronism' and openly state that their purpose in Ecuador is to align the two peoples in the same political sphere under the leadership of Peron.
- 2. "The Ecuadorans are learning nothing new in police methods from the Argentines. We should either send several of our officers to the National Police Academy in the United States or have an American police instructor come to Ecuador. Only in this way can we expect to improve our police force in Ecuador."

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Comment: It has been ascertained that Galo Plaza has asked Montufar to remain in his present position after the former becomes President on 1 September 1948.

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